

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

These remarks are made in response to the Office Action of February 5, 2008 (Office Action). As this response is timely filed within the 3-month shortened statutory period, no fee is believed due. However, the Examiner is expressly authorized to charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

In the Office Action, Claims 7, 14, and 20 were deemed to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claims 1, 4-6, 8, 11-13, 15, and 17-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,061,433 to Polcyn (hereinafter Polcyn). Claims 2 and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Polcyn in view of U.S. Patent 6,463,130 to Malik (hereinafter Malik). Claims 3, 10, and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Polcyn in view of U.S. Published Patent Application 2002/0067821 to Benson (hereinafter Benson). Claims 5, 12, and 18 were objected to.

Claim Amendments

Although Applicants respectfully disagree with the rejections, Applicants nevertheless have amended certain claims and cancelled certain other claims so as to expedite prosecution of the present application. Applicants respectfully note, however, that neither the amendments nor cancellation of claims are intended as, and should not be interpreted as, the surrender of any subject matter. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to present the original version of any of the amended claims in any future divisional or continuation applications from the present application.

Allowable Subject Matter

In particular, Applicants have amended independent Claims 1, 8, and 15 to incorporate the subject matter deemed in the Office Action to be allowable. Specifically, Claim 1 has been amended to include the features formerly recited in Claims 6 and 7. Claim 8 has been amended to include each of the features formerly recited in Claims 13 and 14. Claim 15 has been amended to include each of the features formerly recited in Claims 19 and 20. Accordingly, Applicants have cancelled dependent Claims 6, 7, 13, 14, 19, and 20. The claim amendments are fully supported throughout the Specification. No new matter has been introduced by virtue of any of the claim amendments.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that this application is now in full condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested. Applicants request that the Examiner call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any matter within this Amendment, or if the Examiner believes a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,

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